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NEWS SUMMARY:

United States Attorney Steven M. Biskupic announced today that a federal grand jury in Milwaukee has added two new charges to the indictment against William N. Martin, Jr. The grand jury has also indicted two more individuals related to this case which involved the production and distribution of child pornography.

On February 18, 2004, the grand jury returned an indictment that charged Martin with two counts of shipping and transporting computer images of minors engaging in sexually explicit conduct.

In the two new counts, the grand jury alleges in count three that William N. Martin, Jr. (DOB: 6/28/71) and Adam J. Brown (DOB: 1/6/73) traveled across state lines for the purpose of engaging in a sexual act with a minor. Count four alleges that William N. Martin, Jr and Kurt David Sandvig (DOB: 7/14/61) traveled across state lines for the purpose of engaging in a sexual act with a minor.

As a result of these charges, Martin, Brown, and Sandvig face up to 15 years in prison for each count and fines of \$250,000.

The case was investigated by the Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement; the Federal Bureau of Investigation; Wisconsin Department of Justice, Division of Criminal Investigation; and the Beaver Dam Police Department in cooperation with law enforcement officials from Riverside, California and Kansas City Missouri. The case is assigned to Assistant United States Attorney William Roach.

The public is cautioned that an indictment is merely the formal method of returning charges against an individual and does not constitute inference of his or her guilt. An individual is presumed innocent until such time, if ever, that the government established his or her guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.

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